## ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE

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A system and method for providing assistance to emergency personnel that includes the apparatus and method for detecting the presence of personnel within a protected premises, apparatus for detecting an imminent threat selected from the group consisting of a fire, seismological and terrorist events and apparatus, responsive to the means for detecting, for displaying the location of personnel within protected premises. The apparatus for detecting an imminent threat may include an ionization-type detector or a photoelectric detector or temperature sensing and may utilize fuzzy logic or Boolean logic. The temperature sensing apparatus may utilize one or more thermistors. The apparatus for detecting the presence of personnel may include ultrasonic apparatus, microwave apparatus, or infrared sensing. The apparatus for displaying the location of personnel within protected premises includes a floor plan on which the locations are defined and may include wireless apparatus for remotely displaying the location of personnel within protected premises.